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LOK SABHA

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KANNADA LANGUAGE IN CBSE SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to include "Kannada" language alongwith English and Hindi in the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) curriculum in all CBSE schools functioning in the country particularly in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of schools teaching Kannada as language in Karnataka; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a): As per information furnished by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), the CBSE curriculum includes "Kannada" language and students of schools affiliated to the Board in all States of the country, including Karnataka, can opt for "Kannada" alongwith English/Hindi at secondary and senior secondary level, if they so desire.

(b): Number of schools teaching Kannada as a language in Karnataka in CBSE affiliated schools during the last three years is as under:

	CLASS X	CLASS XII
Year	No. of Schools	No. of Schools
2005	75	09
2006	85	08
2007	98	11

(c): Does not arise.